1 The Honorable Benjamin H. Settle 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA 9 FUEL MEDICAL GROUP, LLC, a Case No. 3:22-cv-05934-BHS 10 Washington limited liability company, FUEL MEDICAL GROUP, LLC'S AND 11 Plaintiff, SONOVA USA INC.'S STIPULATED MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE RELATED 12 v. **CASES** 13 SONOVA USA INC., a Minnesota NOTED FOR HEARING: 14 corporation, AUGUST 24, 2023 15 Defendant. 16 I. STIPULATION AND MOTION 17 Defendant, Sonova USA Inc. ("Sonova"), and Plaintiff, Fuel Medical Group, LLC 18 ("Fuel") (collectively hereinafter the "Parties"), hereby stipulate and jointly move, pursuant to 19 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(a) and Local Rule 42 of the Western District of Washington, 20 to consolidate Case No. 3:23-cv-05544-RJB, Sonova USA Inc. v. Fuel Medical Group, LLC with 21 this Case No. 3:22-cv-05934-BHS, Fuel Medical Group, LLC v. Sonova USA Inc. In support of 22 their motion, the Parties stipulate that: 23 24 25 26

SONOVA USA INC. AND FUEL MEDICAL GROUP, LLC'S STIPULATED MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE RELATED CASES (Case No. 3:22-cv-05934-BHS)

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| 1 | 1. Both of the referenced actions are between the same Parties. |
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| 2 | 2. This joint motion is made on the grounds that there are common questions of law |
| 3 | and fact in both cases, and consolidation will avoid unnecessary costs and delays. |
| 4 | 3. Rule 42(a)(2) permits the Court to consolidate such actions with common questions |
| 5 | of law or fact. |
| 6 | 4. Pursuant to Local Rule 42(a), this motion is properly before this Court, and a notice |
| 7 | of this motion is being filed in Case No. 3:23-cv-05544-RJB. |
| 8 | 5. If the motion is granted, the actions will consolidated and continue under the above |
| 9 | captioned Case No. 3:22-cv-05934-BHS, Fuel Medical Group, LLC v. Sonova USA Inc. |
| 10 | WHEREFORE, Sonova and Fuel jointly move this Court to consolidate the pending |
| 11 | actions into Case No. 3:22-cv-05934-BHS, Fuel Medical Group, LLC v. Sonova USA Inc. |
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| 1 | SO STIPULATED this 24th day of August, 2023. |
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| 2 | I certify that this motion contains 214 words, in |
| 3 | compliance with Local Civil Rules. |
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| 21 | II. <u>ORDER</u> |
| 22 | PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED. |
| 23 | Dated this 24th day of August, 2024. |
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| 26 | BENJAMIN H. SETTLE United States District Judge |

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I hereby certify that on August 24, 2023, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all counsel of record. DATED this 24th day of August, 2023, at Seattle, Washington. s/Brian W. Esler Brian W. Esler